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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136, the applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of two months to respond to the Response to the Appeal Brief Mailed July 7, 2006.

Response will therefore be timely if filed with the Patent and Trademark Office no later than October 10, 2006 (October 7, 2006 being a Saturday and October 9, 2006 being a holiday).

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17, the required fee of \$450 should be deducted from Deposit Account No. 12-0913.

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